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IN OUR VALLEY

DONNA first gained fame when it became known, some years ago as the smallest town in the world with a Rotary club, at that time of course. Then Donna set on foot a plan for the organization and establishment there of a great international industrial exposition. The work on this project is reported proceeding satisfactorily.

Being an aggressive, forward looking community, Donna has now taken the initiative in efforts to bring about a resumption of activities in connection with the Point Isabel harbor, with the possible organization of a navigation district.

Whether any plan to organize a navigation district would meet with popular approval at this time, when the harbor and Rio Grande railroad situations are badly mixed up, is a question.

Recent advices from Washington indicate that developments in connection with resuming work on the harbor may be expected in a short time. The engineers have reached certain conclusions as to a method for opening the channel over the bar.

S. C. Tucker, president of the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce, and C. L. Jessup, chairman of its harbor committee, will attend the Donna meeting.

The Donna meeting will no doubt clarify some harbor matters.

The Parent-Teachers' Association of Brownsville, upon the suggestion of Mrs. D. P. Gay, Jr., will undertake the task of numbering houses in Brownsville that are not yet numbered; particularly in the district north and west of the belt line railroad.

Support of the city government has been assured, the city attorney having been instructed to draw up proper ordinance.

Home-owners should lend their cooperation by buying numbers when they are called upon by representatives of the association.

Proper house numbers are a benefit in many ways. They enable merchants to find homes for delivery purposes. They help the telephone messengers in their task. In case of fire, they afford the quickest information for direction of the fire department. This is perhaps the most valuable service of house numbers.

And perhaps at no distant date city mail delivery will be extended to that section of the city, but it will not be done unless houses are numbered.

The Brownsville Herald has in its office a leased wire of The Associated Press, bringing the news of the world to this city simultaneously with the papers of the big cities.

And the wire also carries out of Brownsville the news of this city and section. Brownsville is the news concentration center for a wide territory. The Brownsville Herald carries to other papers over this wire more news, day in and day out, than Beaumont, Shreveport, Fort Worth (cattle markets excepted), Abilene, Wichita Falls and even San Antonio.

This telegraph wire, which The Herald maintains at great expense, affords more publicity for Brownsville and the Valley than any other existing facility.

The influence of The Herald is really "far-flung."

Mrs. Virginia Gimble, proprietor of a ladies' ready-to-wear and millinery establishment in Brownsville, Saturday mailed a hat to a customer in Decatur, Ill.

The hat was ordered from an advertisement in The Herald.

And that despite the fact that near Decatur is the great Marshall Field establishment, Sears-Roebuck & Company, Montgomery, Ward & Co., and goodness only knows how many more. But the hat was ordered from Brownsville.

Houston newspapers tell of nine straight days of rain. Hundreds of telephones out of commission. Dirt and gravel streets impassable for automobiles.

Brownsville can sympathize with Houston. And also it is clear that Brownsville is not the only town that in recent weeks has been discommoded by unusual rainfall.

TIGER GETS LOOSE

PERU, Ind.—A tiger got loose in winter quarters, killing a camel and mauling an elephant before being captured.

THE WEATHER

For Brownsville and the Lower Rio Grande Valley: Cloudy to partly cloudy and continued cool tonight, Tuesday fair and warmer.

For East Texas: Fair tonight and Tuesday except showers on west coast; rising temperature. Moderate to fresh easterly winds on the coast.

Weather Conditions.

Except for light rains along the Atlantic coast and in central Georgia, the weather was fair to clear and rather cold practically throughout the United States during the last 24 hours. Temperatures were particularly low in the northern half of the belt and also over much of Texas as far south as San Antonio.

The lowest temperature last night at Texas stations ranged from 32 at Abilene to 52 at Brownsville.

Mitchell Will Prove Charges, He States

New Attack in Air Service Launched By 'Stormy Petrel'

(By the Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 9.—Another reverberating cannonade of accusations was turned loose today by Colonel William Mitchell, against those in charge of the military and naval services.

Through his counsel, Representative Frank Reid, the colonel informed the court martial trying him because of his previous utterances in the air controversy that he was fully prepared to prove his charge of criminal and almost treasonable negligence in government aviation.

Among the multitude of offenses of which the defense counsel promised to furnish proof were these:

That the Shenandoah went on her fatal western trip unfit and against the will of her commander, Zachary Lansdowne.

Renews Charges

That a naval officer sought to have Lansdowne's widow give false testimony.

That those who arranged the unsuccessful Hawaiian flight of the PN-9 number 1, were "incompetent."

That high army and navy officers had testified falsely before committees of congress.

That Colonel Mitchell himself "was demoted and transferred because he told the truth."

That government aviators are put to unnecessary hazards and many killed as a result.

That the government has failed to thwart a project to give a foreign flight organization a foothold near the Panama canal and to provide adequate air protection to Hawaii and the Philippines.

That 120 planes is used by the war department in computing the strength of the United States in aircraft, but that only 69 planes are modern and up-to-date, that sixty of these are being used for training purposes, leaving nine available for use against an enemy.

That general staff officers are not qualified by training and experience for aviation policies.

Witness Called

Major General Amos A. Fries, chief of the chemical warfare service, was the first witness called by the defense. He described in detail his experiences in France.

"How much gas would it take to gas an area the size of the District of Columbia?" Mr. Reid asked.

Colonel Moreland, the prosecutor, objected. (Continued on Page Two.)

HINDS VISITS IN MATAMOROS

Vasquez Lauds Friendly Relations Between Two Countries

Before leaving Brownsville yesterday, Major General Ernest Hinds, Eighth Corps area commander, accompanied by Colonel Wm. T. Johnston, commander of Fort Brown, and Mexican Consul A. C. Vasquez, paid an official visit to officers in Matamoros.

General Enrique Torres, commanding all forces in the Matamoros district, and Brigadier General Gabriel Cervera, commander of the troops at the Matamoros garrison, received the visitors.

The visit was made yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, both General Hinds and Colonel Johnston being accompanied by members of their staffs. They met all officers at the Matamoros garrison.

"I am glad that this visit was made, and am pleased with the friendly relations existing between military officials on both sides of the river," said Consul Vasquez, who was largely responsible in arranging the visit.

"I do not believe that relations between people on the two sides of the border have ever been any more friendly than they are at the present time, and such visits of the military officials as the one yesterday help to keep up the good relations."

Major General Hinds and his staff left here yesterday afternoon by automobile for Fort Ringgold, where the general is scheduled to make a tactical and garrison inspection today and tomorrow. He will return tomorrow to the corps area headquarters at Fort San Antonio.

Cotton Drops \$6 Bale on Government Report Today

(By the Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, N. Y., Nov. 9.—Cotton futures broke \$5 a bale today on publication of the semi-monthly government report estimating the year's cotton crop at 15,386,000 bales, an increase of 160,000 bales over the estimate of a fortnight ago. December contracts sold down to 19.32 and January to 18.80.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 9.—The New Orleans cotton market broke 120 points, or \$6 a bale, after the government report was issued estimating the cotton crop at 15,386,000 bales which was larger than the trade expected. Total ginnings report of 11,896,000 bales was about in line with trade expectations. December, which traded at 19.70 before the report was issued, sold at 18.50 when business was resumed following the report.

CROP ESTIMATE IS HIKED AGAIN

Government Report Calls For Production of 15,386,000 Bales

(By the Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 9.—A probable cotton production of about 15,386,000 equivalent 500 pound bales this year, if average influences prevail during the remainder of the season, is indicated, the department of agriculture announced today, by reports as of November 9 on condition, abandonment, probable yields, ginnings and other factors.

A probable yield of 166.4 pounds of lint cotton per harvested acre is indicated, compared with 164.7 pounds indicated a fortnight ago, and 157.4 pounds, the final yield per acre last year.

A fortnight ago a crop of 15,226,000 bales and an acre yield of 164.7 pounds were indicated, while last year's crop totaled 13,267,936 bales.

The indicated production, based on November 1 conditions, was announced as follows:

Virginia 48,000; North Carolina 1,080,000; South Carolina 860,000; Georgia 1,150,000; Florida 42,000; Mississippi 245,000; Tennessee 485,000; Alabama 1,200,000; Missouri 1,885,000; Louisiana 895,000; Texas 4,100,000; Oklahoma 1,520,000; Arkansas 1,480,000; New Mexico 61,000; Arizona 94,000; California 130,000. All other states 21,000.

About 68,000 bales additional to California were being grown in Lower California, Old Mexico.

Over 11 Million Bales Ginned, Report Shows

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 9.—Cotton ginned from the growth of 1925 prior to November 1 totaled 11,198,660 running bales, counting round as half bales, the census bureau today announced. Ginnings were 9,715,643 bales to that date last year and 7,556,042 in 1923.

Ginnings by states to November 1 were:

Alabama 1,175,161; Arizona 44,526; Arkansas 885,577; California 31,449; Florida 37,337; Georgia 1,113,453; Louisiana 743,806; Mississippi 1,335,130; Missouri 1,112,297; New Mexico 29,229; North Carolina 885,650; Oklahoma 827,808; South Carolina 318,630; Tennessee 200,290; Texas 2,850,072; Virginia 31,011. All other states 8,713.

Total ginnings include 184,597 round bales counted as half bales compared with 240,661 for 1924 and 199,326 for 1923 to November 1.

LEAGUE MEET CALLED

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 9.—Commissioner K. M. Landis today issued a call for a joint meeting of the major leagues to be held in New York at noon Dec. 10.

HONOR WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON—Taken by President and Mrs. Coolidge to Mount Vernon on the Mayflower, Prince and Princess Asaka placed a wreath on Washington's tomb.

'IT PASSES, IT PASSES', SAYS COUE AS VIOLENT NOSE BLEED STOPS TALK

LONDON, Nov. 9.—Professor Emil Coue, French auto-suggestion expert, was feeling better and better in every way today after suffering a severe nose bleed Saturday which compelled him to cancel a lecture at Salisbury. "It is gone, it is gone," he remarked smilingly to inquirers this morning.

When the attack came, friends called in two physicians, but their services were spurned by Prof. Coue who treated his case by repeating his famous formula: "It passes, it passes."

He recovered sufficiently last evening to address an audience in London.

WORK STARTED ON NEW HOTEL

Dodds and Wedegartner Get Contract For Excavation

A. D. Dickinson, Jr., vice-president of the El Jardin Hotel company, at 2 o'clock this afternoon turned the first spadeful of dirt in the construction of Brownsville's tourist hotel, the El Jardin, to cost about \$400,000.

Workmen under the direction of Stanley Dodds, of Dodds & Wedegartner, foundation contractors, then began work of fencing in the hotel property. Lines were run, stakes set and other preliminaries completed this afternoon. Excavation work on a large scale will start Tuesday morning.

A. Holm, photographer, took photographs of the turning of the first dirt. An effort was made to obtain the presence of Mayor A. B. Cole, who was of the city hotel committee, but he could not be located. President S. C. Tucker of the Chamber of Commerce, W. B. Clint, director, City Commissioner John G. Starek, and others were present to witness the informal ceremonies.

H. W. Wagner of the building company is here starting the works.

Three thousand yards of dirt will be excavated from the hotel site, corner of Eleventh and Levee streets, making the foundation 10 feet below the sidewalk. Tuesday, November 10, is the last day for starting of work by the builders of the hotel under the agreement with the citizens' hotel committee.

The plans of the hotel have been altered some, Mr. Wagner said. Instead of six stories, as planned, the hotel will have seven, the additional story being added when it was decided to construct only one wing on the hotel, instead of two, as planned. The building will have a 150 foot frontage on Levee street, and will extend back 50 feet, with the exception of the part that is to have a kitchen, and other facilities, which will extend back 100 feet. This part, however, will be only one story high.

The hotel structure is to have a roof garden, and a basement, as originally planned, and the general plan of construction is to be as outlined originally, with Spanish style of architecture.

STANDARD MAY GET MAGNOLIA UNDER PROJECT

Stockholders Called To Meet at Dallas To Hear 375 Million Merger Proposal

(By the Associated Press.)

DALLAS, Tex., Nov. 9.—Stockholders of the Magnolia Petroleum company will meet here November 24 to consider a contract entered into between directors of the Standard Oil company of New York and trustees of the Magnolia company for merging of the two companies, it was announced at Magnolia headquarters here today.

The contract was entered into subject to approval of the voting stockholders of the Magnolia company, it was announced. Magnolia shares owned by the Standard Oil company of New York are non-voting.

Under the merger plans business will be continued in the name of the Magnolia Petroleum company with the same officers and management as at present, but shareholders of the Magnolia company will have substantial representation on the board of directors of the Standard Oil company of New York.

Standard to Issue Stock
The agreement between the officers of the two companies was made November 6.

The plan is for the Standard of New York to issue to stockholders of the Magnolia, other than itself, Standard shares of the same aggregate par value as Magnolia stock surrendered for cancellation, which would give to the Magnolia stockholders four \$25 shares of the Standard for each \$100 par value Magnolia stock unit.

Should any of the Magnolia stockholders decline to accept Standard stock for their Magnolia holdings they may elect to receive cash. Such payment will be made by the Magnolia out of assets which otherwise would be transferred to the merged concern, the amount being "equal to the fair value of such shares in Standard Oil company of New York as he would receive." The average price on the curb of New York Standard between October 21-November 24 would be taken as the basis for arriving at Standard values.

Capital 375 Million
Money required for completion of the plans to be derived through increase in the capital of the Standard from \$235,000,000 to \$375,000,000, recently authorized. Sufficient of the authorized increased stock will be issued to cover the stock held available for whatever corporate purposes may be necessary in the future.

The marketing facilities of the Standard developed in the east, its comparatively small refining capacity and lack of crude production while the Magnolia has a large crude production facilities, practically confined to the southwest, were mentioned by the trustees with the statement, "the business and properties of the two companies are, therefore, naturally complementary."

KANSAS MAN SEES BIG GROWTH HERE

"It is my opinion that it won't be long before the boom that Florida is now having will wear itself out, and people will turn to Brownsville," says Robert E. House of Kansas City, in writing to the Brownsville Chamber of Commerce for information on conditions here.

"Brownsville, regardless of how you figure it, should grow by leaps and bounds within the next few years."

Mr. House explains that this is the reason he wants to come to the Valley, and also that he is a native son of Texas, and wants to come back to this state.

Newspapers Win Fight On High Freight Rate

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 9.—Newspapers printed at Dallas and Fort Worth were held by the interstate commerce commission today to be entitled to collect reparation from railroads for unreasonable rates charged on shipments of news print paper from Minnesota, Niagara Falls and other producing points.

The commission found that present rates to the two cities were reasonable but that they had been unjustifiably high in the past.

Creager, Betanza Get Permission to Bridge River Here

Concession for the construction and operation of a general traffic bridge across the Rio Grande between Brownsville and Matamoros has been granted to R. B. Creager and F. J. Betanza of Mexico City, according to telegraphic news dispatches from Mexico City.

The bridge would cost about \$500,000.

Inquiry at the Brownsville office of R. B. Creager today brought the statement that while a concession had been applied for, no advices had been received here confirming the granting of the concession. Mr. Creager left last night for Houston, and expected to leave there today for Mexico City on the bridge matter as well as other business.

The news dispatch also said that concession had been granted

to Creager and Betanza for a general traffic bridge at Hidalgo, Hidalgo county.

This is the second concession granted recently for a bridge at this crossing. Abelardo Trevino of Brownsville having recently been granted a similar concession.

M. P. Not Concerned

An application for permission to build the bridge will now be made to the United States congress. This, it is said, is merely a formality and no doubt was expressed but that the permission will be granted Creager and Betanza.

Some curiosity was expressed in Brownsville today as to the probable location of the Creager-Betanza bridge, as virtually all the river frontage on the American side between the present international bridge and a point about a hundred feet up stream from the Fort Brown wall is owned by the Brownsville Ferry Company or the Brownsville & Matamoros Bridge Company, both subsidiaries of the Gulf Coast Lines. This ownership leads to the belief that the Gulf Coast Lines might be interested in the new bridge project, but it was stated at Mr. Creager's office that the railroad was in no wise connected with it.

That the railroad is, however, favorable to the undertaking is believed indicated in the fact that Mr. Creager, who is special legal counsel for the Missouri Pacific, especially in Mexican matters of the railroad, is heading the project. This is believed in some quarters to forecast early use strictly for train purposes of the present international bridge by the Missouri Pacific. The bridge, it is pointed out, is too narrow to accommodate both rail and vehicular traffic. When trains are using it, the bridge is virtually closed to all other traffic.

Work to Start Soon
Mr. Betanza is associated with Mr. Creager in the conduct of an investment business in Mexico City under the firm name of Creager & Betanza. He was formerly a resident of Brownsville, and for several years owned and conducted the Santa Domingo ranch property, in Starr county. He left Mexico during the Madero revolution because of the political situation. Since returning to Mexico about a year ago he has become interested in numerous enterprises, and is also heavily interested in El Democrita, one of the leading daily newspapers of Mexico City.

It was stated here today that construction of the bridge will start immediately permission is granted by congress. It will be adequate to the needs of the cities of Brownsville and Matamoros, will be of heavy construction and because of the navigation treaty between the two countries, will necessarily have to have a draw. This, it was stated, may interfere with making it an all-concrete bridge.

Construction of the bridge, it was also stated, is part of a plan looking to the construction of a modern highway from Matamoros to Victoria, capital of Tamaulipas, to a connection with the Mexico City-Laredo highway, which is now under construction.

RADIO GROWN HOOVER SAYS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 9.—Radio full grown to its stature of a vital force in American life, has developed problems which must be solved with government cooperation, Secretary Hoover declared today in an address opening the fourth national radio conference.

More than 400 delegates, representing national and international interests in the radio field, were on hand to hear the secretary present to the conference meeting at his call, his views on the vital problems of other congestion by the multiplication of broadcasting stations and suggestions for their solution.

"We must face the actualities frankly," he said. "We can no longer deal on the basis that there is room for everybody on the radio highways. There are more vehicles on the road than can get by, and if they continue to jam they will all be stopped."

While disclaiming any fixed view as to the best solution, Mr. Hoover declared there must be "federation responsibility" in traffic control on one side of the problem and on the other he suggested a large share of control for the community itself as to who shall serve it in broadcasting.

"In other words, the ideal situation," he said, "as I view it, would be traffic regulation by the federal government to the extent of allotment of the wave length and control of power and the policing of interference, leaving to each community a large voice in determining who are to occupy the wave lengths assigned to that community."

The secretary also warned that a growth of "too obtrusive" advertising in connection with broadcasting problems would in the end defeat the best interests of radio enterprise itself.

PUBLISHER DIES

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Nov. 9.—Thomas M. Hollingshead, 68, business manager of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, died today after a major operation.

WOOD SAWS

A good wood saw machine will save you its cost many times. All sizes for wood yard or small private use.

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